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### Sir/Madam:

The following communication is responsive to the Final Office Action mailed December 22, 1999. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the Application in view of the following remarks.

#### IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add Claims 19-23:

719. A composition, comprising purified antibodies directed to TNF, IL-6 and gamma IRN.

20. The composition of Claim 19, wherein said antibodies are polyclonal antibodies.

21. The composition of Claim 20, wherein said polyclonal antibodies are avian antibodies.

22. The composition of Claim 21, wherein said avian antibodies are chicken antibodies.